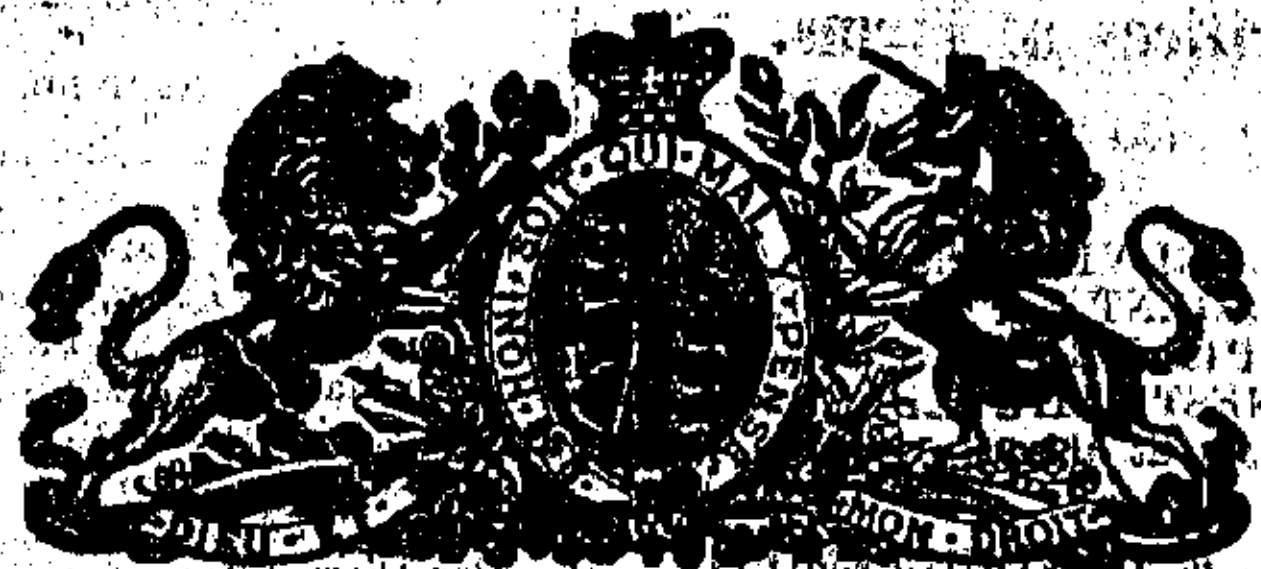


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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, \$1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. BARBON, Esq.
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HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits.
At 3 months' notice 5 per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
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D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £280,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES of Interest Allowed on Deposits.
On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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" 6 " 4 " "
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(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

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RESERVE FUND, £151,860.10.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.

RATES of Interest allowed on Fixed Deposits.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 12 " 5 " "

Besides conducting general Exchange Business, the Bank discounts local bills payable in Hongkong, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

For approved short sight acceptances, 5 per cent. per annum.

Rates for Advances, according to terms required, may be ascertained on application.

E. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

for sale. RECENTLY ARRIVED, AND FOR SALE.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FINE FRENCH STRAWBERRIES.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS, French JAMS and JELLIES.

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Very Fine "O. E." BOURBON WHISKY.

FINEST CHERBOURG BUTTER, in BOTTLES of ONE POUND.

BUSCK & Co.'s SELECTED DANISH BUTTER, Season 1878, in Tins of 1 lb., 2 lbs., and 4 lbs.

ENGLISH and AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD STORES.

EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.

MACKEREL and SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.

COD FISH, &c., &c.

HOTH'S BEST RUSSIAN ROPE, and FINE LINES, Assorted Sizes.

FROST BROS'S BEST ENGLISH WHITE LINES.

HENRY'S BEST GOVERNMENT NAVY CANVAS, Assorted Numbers.

INDIA RUBBER SHEET PACKING and INSERTION, all Sizes.

TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.

INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY HOSE.

CANVAS HOSE and LEATHER BELTING.

AMERICAN ASH BOAT-OARS.

ADMIRALTY TESTED CHAIN CABLES, and RIGGING CHAIN.

ANCHORS, from 25 lbs. up to 18 cwt. Each.

PERFORATED ZINC SHEETS.

TINMAN'S and PLUMBER'S SOLDER.

LEAD PIPE, and SHEET LEAD.

FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES, from 400 lbs. to 2,500 lbs.

MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS.

FLOUR SIEVES.

INDIA RUBBER KNEE and HIP BOOTS, &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE OF PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1868 will be Received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 23rd September, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licenses direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command, J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

WITH Reference to the above Notification, it is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to extend the period up to which TENDERS will be Received to Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd October.

By Command, J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, September 6, 1878.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after 1st SEPTEMBER, RETAIL SALES of the Company's Manufactures will be Resumed at the REFINERY, East Point, August 23, 1878.

HUTCHINGS.

He begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Signed—WILLIAM HUTCHINGS, opposite the Cathedral, Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to notify that they have made such Arrangements in connection with their TAILORING DEPARTMENT, that they are now able to Guarantee the PROMPT Execution of Orders.

The Following GOODS Suitable for the present Season have just been received, from which an early Selection is requested.

THIN BLACK SUPERFINE, for Dress Suits.

FANCY BLACK and BLUE CASHMERE, MELTONS, &c., for Morning Suits.

HOME SPUN, FRIEZE, BEAVER, &c., for Ulsters.

SUPERFINE BEAVER, &c., for Light Overcoats.

HOME SPUN TWEEDS and ANGOLA, for Suits and Trousers.

EXTRA THIN TWEEDS and ANGOLA, for Summer Suits and Trousers.

BLACK, BLUE, and COLOURED SERGES, for Suits.

CORDS, STOCKINETTES and CASSIMERES, for Riding Trousers.

UNIFORMS, LACE, BUTTONS, &c., for H. B. M. Navy and U. S. Navy.

BULLOCK LAD'S SPECIAL BLEND WHISKY.

"S. B. H." The Finest OLD WHISKY, ever imported.

IRISH CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS.

Extra Finest ISIGNY BUTTER.

CHARCOAL and SPONGE FILTERS.

SILBER LAMPS for Kerosene, in large assortment.

LAWN TENNIS SETS.

LADIES' GARDEN TOOLS.

VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS.

CORE'S GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.

Very Fine FRESH APPLES, for Box or per Dozen.

BASS'S DRAUGHT ALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, September 8, 1878.

HONGKONG RACE FUND.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SUBSCRIBERS to the HONGKONG RACE FUND will be Held at the Club, on THURSDAY, the 3rd October, 1878, at 4 o'clock p.m.

By Order, M. W. SAUNDERS, Lieut. R.A., Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, September 19, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE CITY HALL LIBRARY and MUSEUM will be CLOSED to the Public from the 2ND to the 30TH SEPTEMBER NEXT. Residents wishing to refer to Books in the Library during that period can do so by Application to the Secretary.

By Order, H. L. DENNY, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 29, 1878.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the Year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of TWENTY PER CENT. (20%) of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AYOY and POGCHOW, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st OCTOBER, the PRICE of ICE will be TWO CENTS per Pound.

KYLE & BAIN.

ICE HOUSE, Hongkong, Sept. 23, 1878.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Cheap Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

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UNIFORMS, LACE, BUTTONS, &c., for H. B. M. Navy and U. S. Navy.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, ON

FRIDAY,

the 27th September, 1878, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

An Invoice of CHINESE and JAPANESE WARE, &c., comprising: Porcelain Vases, Bronzes, Ornaments, Porcelain Dishes and Jars, Tortoise-shell Ware, Lacquered Cabinets and Boxes, Fans, Trays, &c.

Crape Shawls, Scarves and Handkerchiefs, Embroidered Caps, &c., &c.

TERMS of SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 24, 1878.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, ON

MONDAY,

the 30th of September, 1878, at Noon, on the Premises, by Order of the Mortgagees, under a Power of Sale contained in the Deed of Mortgage, all that

PIECE or PARCEL or GROUND, with the HOUSES built thereon, situate in Jardine's Bazaar, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 808.

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS of SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the Balance on completion of the Deeds of Transfer. All expenses of Transfer to be paid by the Purchaser. Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 24, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Steamship "NAMO," Capt. WESTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.

Hongkong, September 24, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The British Steamer "LORON," Capt. McCULLOCH, will load here for the above Ports, and will leave this on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship "GLENARTNEY," Capt. McCULLOCH, will load here for the above Ports, and will leave this on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "YANGTSE," Commandant RAPAT, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, September 21, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA," Commandant ROZAN, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, September 21, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Schooner "CONSTANTE," CAPTAIN, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, &c., apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, September 21, 1878.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The 41 British Barque "CHARLOTTE ANDREWS," Captain PLAC, will load here, and have a quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO &

were brought before him being punished. Mr Deane took this step as since Mr Francis has been on the bench numbers of offenders who were formerly punished were discharged; his Worship holding the opinion that they had been guilty of no offence in law. Notably there was a case of a man who was detected with his hand in another man's pocket, and because the pocket was empty His Worship held that the defendant had been guilty of no offence in law. He referred His Worship to Archbold and Russell on crime, and His Worship promised to look into the matter. Mr Deane then called attention to a case of unlawful possession which came before the Magistrate some time back, which had resolved itself into a case of piracy and murder, and the accused was tried at the sessions for the latter offence. He (Mr Deane) said the Magistrate was not bound to abide by the charge which appeared on the charge sheet; larceny sometimes resolved itself into a case of unlawful possession, and an offender charged with street gambling was convicted as a rogue and vagabond. It was not necessary to have a distinct ordinance for this procedure, the Vagrancy Act covered it. Inspectors could not all be expected to be lawyers.

His Worship said that the charge sheets could be submitted to the head of the Police, who could see if they were in order. Mr Deane said that Mr O'neigh whilst Acting Superintendent of Police had adopted that practice, and the Magistrate hearing of it, had complained to the Governor that it was an interference with their duties. The practice of the Court was for the magistrates to deal with cases according to the evidence, and he (Mr Deane) would ask His Worship to adhere to the practice of the Court. He was aware that His Worship had, acting in another capacity, objected to any other case than that which appeared on the charge sheet being proceeded with, but he had not appealed, and was therefore bound by the practice then set forth.

Mr Francis said, Put as many charges on the sheet as you like, but they must be legal. Street gambling was no offence. Mr Deane said he would in future always have the letters "R. and V." as well as street gambling entered on the charge sheets in future.

DARING NIGHT ATTACK.

One of the most daring attacks which has ever been known to have taken place in this Colony was made last night, or early this morning, by an armed band of robbers, numbering from 80 to 100 men, upon the Chun Sing goldsmith's shop, No. 52, Wing Lok Street. It appears that, shortly after midnight, the gang approached the house in question with long scaling-ladders which reached to the upper storey, the house being two storeys high; and about ten men ascended to the first floor windows, and easily effected an entrance, the windows being open. They had to cross a zinc awning which is erected over the shop, and their weight has made holes in this in several places: it is a pity they did not at this stage break their necks. The rest of the gang barricaded the street, armed to the teeth with spears attached to bamboo, some 15 or 20 feet long, and all were armed either with rifles, revolvers, spears or knives. The 10 or 12 who had entered the house were meanwhile making the best of their time. There was only one man sleeping on the first floor in a small room, and the thieves, having threatened his life by holding a knife to his throat, demanded him to surrender up the key of the safe and any valuables he might have in the room. Upon his adroitly handing them the wrong key and assuring them that he had nothing, he was ordered to go up stairs and not stir on pain of instant death. He at once retired and locked himself up. They then cleared one or two boxes of their contents (clothing) which they have down to their comrades in the street, through the windows, and proceeded down stairs, where they at once summarily disposed of those whom they found sleeping there by sending them upstairs after their comrades, threatening vengeance, if any alarm should be given. They then made straight for the large iron safe, which they moved from its position against the wall, and by the aid of some sharp instruments, commenced to cut through the iron at the back. Others were meanwhile ransacking the shop, breaking open boxes and drawers indiscriminately, and succeeded in finding \$120 in silver and 3 taels in gold, laid in one drawer; 8 silver watches in a small box, and other articles of a minor nature. The house runs from Wing Lok Street to the Praya, and the thieves appear to have next paid their attention to the Praya end of the shop, where one of the inmates whom they endeavoured to speak, was wounded in the right wrist. There were a quantity of empty opium chests stored in this part of the premises, and the robbers broke open a couple of these, exporting by April a rich

prize, but were sadly disappointed. The thieves had it all their own way for about half an hour, when the neighbours opposite were attracted by the large crowd, and some of them approached their windows to see what was the matter. The thieves in the street ordered them to be quiet and retire, and upon their refusing, they were fired upon. The shots attracted the attention of a District watchman who at once blew his whistle, and alarmed the men at No. 5 Police Station, who ran out with their batons. P. O. Delarge, who was stationed at Gibb's wharf, also attracted by the shots, ran towards the spot, as did also P. O. McDougal, who was at the foot of East Street at the time. Both these poor fellows having nothing but their batons to defend themselves with, were set upon and wounded, the first by a gun-shot wound in the right elbow, and the other by one of the long spears with which the greater number of the rascals were armed; nor had the District watchman fared any better being badly wounded by a spear thrust in the groin. The police from No. 5 Station having ascertained the state of affairs at once returned to the station for their arms, and rang the fire alarm for a couple of minutes as a signal to the other stations. It appears that so eager were the men to get to the scene that they neglected to telegraph to the Central, and many of the men at the latter place were committing the same mistake turning out with nothing but their batons; but Inspector Grey, who happened to be at No. 5 Station, took measures to warn them, and they returned for their arms, which caused a further delay, and as matters afterwards proved, every moment was valuable. The thieves in the house, when they found the town was alarmed, made good their escape from the house by the street-door, having been unsuccessful in their attempt upon the safe which contained between \$4,000 and \$5,000 in gold. They had however cut a hole about 9 inches in diameter and were in a fair way to accomplish their object. Some hundreds of flocks of quail were lying around the basement floor, but these had apparently escaped notice, as they were untouched. These desperadoes, finding their little game hopeless, next attempted to fire the house (some allege it was by accident), and succeeded in creating a blaze, which was however soon put out by the inmates. One of the villains was shot dead by the police whilst in the act of spearing poor Goulbourn, and the spear, with three others, is now in the hands of the police. The thieves now made for the water, the police who had by this time mustered in large numbers firing on them. Many leapt into the water and made for boats and one party took possession of the steam launch Kate belonging to Linstead & Co., which had evidently been captured and got ready whilst the robbery was going on. They threatened the life of the coxswain on board if he made the least resistance. Inspectors Grey and Lindsay came nearly being shot whilst preparing to pursue the wretches, being mistaken in the uncertain light for two of them, but fortunately Inspector Corcoran recognized them in time. Many of the rascals were fired at by the police whilst in the water, and it is thought that numbers have been wounded. However this may be they all escaped, but one, who paid for his misdeeds with his life, and it is only a pity that many more did not share the same fate. Inspector Grey ordered the Government launch to be got ready, and Captain Deane with a party of police scoured the opposite shore without success.—Inspectors Grey and Lindsay and Sergeant Perry going in another direction in one of the Harbour Master's boats. Mr Leatherboro the second boarding officer belonging to the Harbour Department, displayed great presence of mind, and it was in a great measure owing to his exertions that the police were enabled to get ahead as soon as they did. The wily rascals had evidently arranged their tactics beforehand. They appear to have landed the coxswain of the launch on Stone Cutter's Island, and then steamed round towards "Moh Kok Sul." A water police boat observed the launch steaming in that direction and hailed it, receiving a discharge of musketry as a reply; the police then returned the fire, and it is thought wounded some one on board. From the description we have heard of the robbers they appear to us to have been seafaring men, probably a nest of pirates.

We need hardly say more on the subject. The police did all they could in the emergency, although it is regrettable they were not all armed. Had they had timely warning of the true nature of the attack, and been marched down in parties headed by a recognized officer, we are inclined to think that the casualties would not have been so heavy, on their side, while some of the rascals would now be in durance vile. However, this is not the case, and we trust that not a stone will be left unturned to clear up this disgraceful affair. We rather twitted the police for the precautions they took some time back at Sand's Ship, when an attack was expected; but last night's affair only too clearly shows that they were fully justified in doing what they did.

The wounded now in Hospital are six in number, viz., Mr Goulbourn, clerk at the Gao, in the head, left shoulder and left side; P. O. McDougal, in the breast, and another P. O. Delarge in the arm (two wounds); two Sikh Constables, one in the kidney, a serious case, and the other in the shoulder; and one looking, in the groin. The dead body of the Chinaman has been identified as that of an old offender. Several of the robbers must have been carried away by their comrades, as many are said to have been killed or wounded. We have just learned that two Chinese have been brought in from Show-ki-wan Station, one suffering from a stink-pot injury, and the other from a gunshot wound in the leg. They were taken by pirates near Show-ki-wan, and it is said that several more were wounded at the same time.

A Chinese account is to the effect that, shortly after midnight, three boats came towards the Praya, near Wing Lok street, one four-oared boat painted white leading the way. In this boat, and in the two others (which were painted black) were some 60 or 80 men altogether, most of whom must have been lying down out of sight. Having sailed two bamboo from a fast boat lying at anchor, and incurring the risk of a row, the rascals landed and proceeded to Wing Lok Street, where they entered the gold shop of Cheung Shing, plundering property to the value of about \$1,000. (This is not so, however.) The alarm having been given by the shop-people, some resistance seems to have been made; and the Police-men on duty did what they could against the large odds. The robbers, who wore trousers only, were armed with long bamboo with spiked points, and the well-known pikes of the natives. Several appeared to have kept the Police at bay until the actual robbers had finished their little business. On getting away the number of the oars in the boats was increased to 8 in each boat. The whole affair did not last more than half an hour. Some of the soundless were recognised as Tung-koon men. The entire native community were thrown into a tremendous state of excitement over this affair, and the island of Hongkong security have been much shaken. It was commonly remarked by the Chinese that the Police never had their swords sharpened or their rifles loaded with ball for an emergency; and that they were only good for knocking down poor hawkers. This is somewhat severe, as the casualties in the Force show that they must have been at their posts, and had done what they could in the face of the immense odds against them.—only it has been shown that they are not sufficiently armed for these humanitarian times.

The report given by the Chinaman who was on board the steam-launch belonging to Messrs Linstead & Co. is something like the following:—The launch was at her usual moorings near Gibb's Wharf, with the coxswain on board—a Chinaman who has been a long time in the employ and is deemed most trustworthy. He was on board asleep, at about one o'clock, when of a sudden he found himself a prisoner in the hands of several men, who confined him to the fore-cabin, and, with a sword at his throat, threatened him with death if any word were said or sign given. He could see nothing of the number of the men, or of what went on. Several men certainly came on board, and steam was got up, and there were evidently men engaged who could run the launch. The coxswain was thus kept in confinement until the launch touched at Stone-cutter's Island, where he was put on shore, the launch proceeding towards the Praya. He then got into a fishing-boat and came to Hongkong, where he arrived at 7 a.m., and reported the circumstances to Linstead & Co.'s compradore.

It may here be added that the steam-launch has been discovered near Moh Kok Sul (Yow-mah-lee). It is said that there are a few shot-marks in her hull, and she got through the channel

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We need hardly say more on the subject. The police did all they could in the emergency, although it is regrettable they were not all armed. Had they had timely warning of the true nature of the attack, and been marched down in parties headed by a recognized officer, we are inclined to think that the casualties would not have been so heavy, on their side, while some of the rascals would now be in durance vile. However, this is not the case, and we trust that not a stone will be left unturned to clear up this disgraceful affair. We rather twitted the police for the precautions they took some time back at Sand's Ship, when an attack was expected; but last night's affair only too clearly shows that they were fully justified in doing what they did.

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An inquest was held this afternoon on the bodies of Li Kien Kun, a shopman, and the body of a Chinese male name unknown who was killed by a shot. The first died from opium poisoning, and the latter was killed in the affray last night.

The following gentlemen comprised the jury:—Messrs. J. S. Cox, C. T. Deane, P. R. Doral.

In the opium poisoning case the deceased was the son of the manager of a shop at Bonham Strand. The jury returned a verdict of suicide whilst in a state of temporary insanity.

The inquest on the body of the man who was shot early this morning was then formally opened.

Dr Von der Horck said the body of deceased was brought to the Hospital about 2 o'clock this morning. It was that of a strong-built and well-developed Chinese male. Upon examination he found the man quite dead and at the right collar bone there was a large bullet wound entering in a diagonal direction through the lung-artery in a passage extending just below the apex of the heart. The wound was not through, and death must have resulted in a very few seconds.

Inspector Craddock who was in charge of the case, said he would ask that the case be adjourned as the witnesses in the case had been up all night, and some were wounded and in an exhausted state. The enquiry was accordingly adjourned until Saturday next, at 8 p.m.

Police Intelligence.
(Before J. J. FRANCIS, Esq.)
25th September, 1878.

TO-DAY'S FINES.
Cheung A-I, a shopkeeper, firing crackers. Fined 50 cents.
Ng Achak, bean curd maker, allowing his house to be in a dirty state. Fined \$1.
Ho Ahin, manager of the Hung Fah Lau shop, throwing rubbish in the streets in front of his house. Fined \$5.
Kwok Hing Tong, manager of the Tung Cheong Shing shop—leaving a receipt for a sum exceeding \$10 without affixing a receipt stamp. Fined \$10.
Li Fung Chi, accountant, obstructing the pathway in Wing Lok Street, by boiling and preparing opium thereon. Fined \$15.

ALLEGED LARCENY.
Fun A-I, an amah, was charged with stealing a quantity of money and clothing to the value of nearly \$180 the property of her employer Mr F. Abella. The case was remanded until the 27th instant, defendant being admitted to bail.

APPLICATION FOR RE HEARING.
Kwok Chi Fun, who was convicted the other day of having retained samshu to Europeans, made an application for a rehearing.

Mr Donny, on behalf of the defendant, applied to his Worship to fix a day for the re-hearing of the case on the grounds that the defendant can produce evidence in his favour now which he could not at the time of conviction. The application was made under Ord. 5 of 1850 Sec. XI.

His Worship observed that the power of appointing the case to be re-heard was vested in the adjudicating Justice, who had power to appoint the case to be re-heard by another Justice. In this case the Hon. O. May was the adjudicating Justice, and Mr Donny was told to make his application to him.

CORRESPONDENCE.
LAST NIGHT'S ATTACK.
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1878.
SIR.—If the proof of the pudding is in the eating, it would appear from the practical attack last night, that the "Pudding" season had begun, and that there would be plenty of it. It does not require a very lively imagination to picture the festivities into which the "Heavenly Chinese" will probably plunge, when cooler weather draws attention to his limited wardrobe. The fall in Stocks has evidently created a demand for Stamps among the Chinese "Bears," who have determined to have some "grease" out of the fire. From a remark made by a leading and well-known Pirate last evening, I think an effort will be made to get in cheap on Insurance Stocks, as it is reported there was an unsuccessful attempt at incendiarism last night.

It may be argued by badly-informed persons that the leniency of Hongkong Police Courts, has given the piratical mind a sceptical turn as to the existence of such a thing as punishment in this Colony. Had not our worthy Governor better take immediate steps to secure the fulfilment of the cheerful programme evidently laid down for the coming winter by the incandescent native.

Yours &c.,
BLAZES.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."
Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1878.
SIR.—Will you kindly inform me if there is any truth in the rumour that application has been made for a Military Guard at the various Banks in the Colony. After last night's experience, such a precaution is absolutely necessary.

Yours,
SECURITY.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."
Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1878.
SIR.—In reading your report of the attack upon the Cheung Sing gold shop last night I was shocked to see that a poor Chinaman had been fully shot by a constable. Cannot some steps be taken to stop such useless sacrifice of human life? We shall never gain the respect and love of the Chinese inhabitants of the Colony if such things are allowed to pass unpunished. It is true that the life of the constable was in danger; but would it not have been far more kind of him, instead of taking the poor man's life, he had indicted a mild chastisement, say with a rattan, or laid it on soundly—with a feather?

Yours &c.,
HUMANITARIAN.

A PEEP SHOW IN HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

SIR.—This forenoon, when on my way to business, I was perfectly shocked to find about 25 or 30 Chinese and lower class Indians all struggling and doing their best to get a look through the holes in the door of the dead house at the Government Civil

Hospital. I have since learned that it was the dead body of the Chinaman, who was killed this morning in the attack on the Chun Sing goldsmith's shop. I have very little objection to the exhibition of evil-doers, if gone about in a proper manner, so that their fate may be a warning to others. But I have a most decided objection to the continuance of the exhibition of dead bodies in the manner in which it is carried on in Hollywood Road; and I do think it is high time some other place was chosen for a dead house. I may be told when the New Civil Hospital is built things will be different. I have not the least doubt about that; but I may remind you that it is only four years since the Civil Hospital took up its temporary quarters in Hollywood Road. I expect to see a New Civil Hospital when the New Central School is built, after the present administration has become a thing of the past.

Yours &c.,
OBSERVER.

China.
SHANGHAI.
(Courier.)

We hear that the body of the chief officer of the British barque *Inheritance*, was found in the river to-day, (Sept. 19th). He was missed from the ship on Sunday evening last, and is supposed to have fallen overboard whilst casting some lighters adrift.

We are informed that both cables in the River having been broken last night, (Sept. 19th) all telegraphic communication is interrupted.

A trifling case which came before the Mixed Court yesterday (Sept. 19th) throws some light upon how erroneous and injurious notions on Chinese matters get spread about. A native journal, in reporting a recent trial, stated that evidence had been obtained from the accused by means of torture. The accused was now confronted with the Chinese detective who, it was alleged, had been guilty of the torture. The prisoner said the detective merely threatened to torture him, but he could produce no proof even of the use of the threat. The detective was, therefore, exonerated from blame, and the reporter of the native journal was very properly cautioned not to again furnish false statements.

(News)
The boisterous weather experienced during Wednesday night and throughout the whole of yesterday (Sept. 18th) led to a general impression that a typhoon was blowing off the coast. The weather on Wednesday indicated that a storm was approaching, and it burst about midnight. Rain came down in torrents, but at first there was little wind. As the morning advanced, however, the wind increased, and during the afternoon a perfect gale, in fitful gusts, was blowing. The steamers that arrived reported having experienced strong N.E. gales and heavy sea, but had sustained no damage. The barometer at noon registered 29.60. During last evening both the wind and rain seemed to increase.

Japan.
YOKOHAMA.
(Gazette.)

Mr Ap Jones has now so far recovered as to walk about. The third robber who took part in the attack has been apprehended and made a confession. He is a carpenter by trade, and is reported to have also been a professional thief.

We are sorry to have to report an accident, resulting in the death of Edmund Apley, a seaman of the steamer *Commonwealth*. The deceased man was aloft reeling the tacking at half past one in the afternoon, and he lost his footing and fell head foremost to the deck. His skull was completely broken, and death was instantaneous. An inquest is to be held on board, to-morrow morning at 9.30.

With two more days of continuous rain (Sept. 17th) following upon a fall of between six and seven inches, the prospect, both in regard to floods, and the condition of the rice crops, is indeed serious. The railway between Yokohama and Tokio remains impassable, and the roads being also flooded to an extent that precludes all traffic, land communication, except by the telegraph, has altogether ceased. We are informed by a gentleman, an *attache* of the British Consulate, who made the journey from the capital to this port with a friend yesterday in spite of the obstacles, that the country from Omuti as far as the river on the Tokio side of Tsurumi is completely under water, and the flood is crossing the Tokaido in a torrent. The houses all the way are flooded on the ground floors, and the inmates have retreated for safety to the upper rooms. From Tsurumi the Tokaido is covered with water for a distance of from eight to ten miles, and the water, all the way, is from three to four feet deep. On the Tokio side of Kawasaki Bridge, the houses are flooded up to the eaves. The water is about six feet from the floor of Kawasaki railway bridge, and from this point the flood is to be seen extending for about a mile, in and beyond the station. The platform in Kawasaki station is covered by about six or eight inches of water, and the country around presents the appearance of a lake while in the villages, all intercommunication is being carried on by means of boats. The water is also on a level with a high embankment immediately above the railway bridge. The journey, as may be imagined, was made by the two gentlemen at considerable risk. *Jin-ki* who was made use of until the water on the Tokaido became too deep, and then they left the road to walk along the railway, which was higher ground. Progress on foot, however, was stopped by the inundation of the railroad at Kawasaki, and this had to be crossed in boats, the water being so deep that it was found necessary to use the oars. One of the boatmen reported that a policeman had tried to cross from the upper side of Kawasaki station, and had been drowned in the attempt. Leaving the boats, the travellers regained the Tokaido, and, after wading through water breast high, succeeded in reaching Yokohama. The telegraph posts have been shored up. It is feared that serious damage has been done to the permanent way, owing to the large extent of line that has been flooded. It is further stated that the Tokaido Bridge at Kawasaki has been washed away. The 7 a.m. train, from Tokio for Yokohama, started as usual yesterday morning, and travelled nearly as far as Kawasaki Station; but, as the flood was so high that it would have put out the fires, and risen above the floors of the carriages, the passengers were taken back to Tokio.

A resident of Yokohama, who has recently paid a visit to Mr. Ap Jones and Mr.

Russell at the Shimosa Farm, reports that both gentlemen are gradually recovering. Mr. Jones is now able to move a little and to speak, although he cannot leave his bed. The most serious wound is that upon his left arm. Mr. Russell was confined to his room for the first few days, but his condition has so far improved as to permit of his walking about, and it is expected that he will be enabled to resume his duties at the Saiban sho in a week or two. Every care and attention is reported to have been bestowed upon them by the Japanese authorities, Mr. Iwayama (at the head of this section of the Industrial Department) who has been staying at the farm since the attack, having most assiduously attended to the requirements of the wounded foreigners.

A few nights ago one of the houses in the village of Nanyue, three miles distant from the residence of Mr. Jones, was broken into by four robbers, armed with spears, and some property was stolen. Eight men have been arrested, and it is stated that they form a part of the gang who made the attack upon Mr. Jones and his guest.

The following paragraph, headed "Law in Japan" is from the *Outlook's Journal*.

The appointment of an English barrister, Mr. C. J. Tarring, as Professor of English Law, including International Law and Jurisprudence, in the University of Tokio, Japan, deserves notice as a sign of Japanese progress. While our Inns of Court are holding out large encouragement to their students to spend their time over an ancient system of law, some of the most characteristic doctrines of which have been discarded even by the nations whose laws have been mainly founded upon it, the Japanese seem to be taking our law as their instrument of legal training. We understand that Mr. Tarring will lecture in English, that being now adopted as the learned language at the University of Tokio.

Quotations.
HONGKONG, September 25, 1878.

OPUM—New Pains, cash...\$600 a 602½
" Old Pains, cash... 579 a 572½
" New Benares, cash... None
" Old Benares, cash... 540 a 542½
" New Malwa, cash... 775
" Allowance Tels, 6 a 24
" Old Malwa, cash...
" Allowance Tels, —

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, ... 3/8½
" 30 days' sight, ... 3/8½
" 6 months' sight, ... 3/9 a 4
Credits, ... 3/9½
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/9½
Bombay, demand Rupees, 223½
Calcutta, ... 223½
Shanghai, demand, ... 72½
" 80 days', ... 72½
English Sovereigns, ... 5.85
Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.35
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., ... 109½
Spees, ... 8 ½
Mexican, ... 1 ½ counted.
Gold Leaf, ... 27.10
Discount, ... 8 to 9 p. a.

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 78 ½ prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,700
China Traders Ins. Co., \$1,650
Yantai Ins. Assoc., 115.725
Chinese Insurance Co., \$345
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,230
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$950
China Fire Ins. Co., \$242
H.K. & W. Dock Co., \$23 ½ prem.
H.K. U. & M. S. Boat Co., \$13 ½ prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 20
China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 104
Hongkong Gas Co., \$97½
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65
China Sugar Refining Co., \$162
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$104
Do. of 1877, \$105

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, September 25, 1878.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. ... 29.966
Do. 1 P.M. ... 29.910
Do. 4 P.M. ... 29.900
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. ... 88
Do. 1 P.M. ... 89
Do. 4 P.M. ... 88
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 78
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 78
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 77
Do. Maximum ... 89
Do. Minimum over night 81

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

At HONGKONG.

When left.	Name.	From.
23, G. B. S.		Liverpool
28, Orade.		Liverpool
30, Britannia (s.)		Antwerp
16, Invincible.		Panama
16, Napier.		Cardiff
14, Verona.		New York
17, Lord Massanley.		Bombay
18, Niagara.		Cuxhaven
1, Marina.		London
14, Emily Chaplin.		Cardiff
22, Commissary.		Panama
28, Underwriter.		Fortress Monroe
28, Malbrook.		London
16, Annie Bow.		Newcastle (s.s.w.)
16, Lorimer.		Newcastle (s.s.w.)
17, Louisa.		Newcastle (s.s.w.)
18, Sydneyham.		London
21, Stuart.		Antwerp
27, Pilgrim.		Cardiff
28, Abbey Cooper.		Antwerp
30, Sumaride.		Hamburg
31, Charnier.		Cardiff
1, Bury St. Edmunds.		Panama
7, Alfredo.		Cardiff
9, Ursula.		Panama
20, Cora.		London
11, Lota.		Cardiff

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.
At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Glenafloch. Glenarn.
Glenarney. Londond Castle.
Glenarney. Arryl.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUÉZ, ISMAÏLIA, PORT
SAÏD, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 25th September,
1878, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. *SINDH*, Commandant BRUNET,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.
Cargo and Speed will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 25th September, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 17, 1878. sc28

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
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PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
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IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. *"GALIC"* will be despatch-
ed for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on TUESDAY, the 1st October, at 3 p.m.,
taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan,
the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 30th September. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.
A Reduction is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, September 11, 1878. col



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUÉZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON, VIA
BOMBAY,
ALSO
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NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"*HINDOSTAN*," Captain N. W. HASEL-
WOOD, will leave this on THURSDAY, the
10th October, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, September 23, 1878. oc10

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AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

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TOKIO* will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY,
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Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
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Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
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and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND
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Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., of 14th October. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
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is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, September 20, 1878. sc18

To Let.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers,
The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley
Street.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TO LET.
HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central,
with Godown attached.
House No. 7, Cairne Road, at present
occupied by The Hon. CHOL SATTEN.
DAVID SASSOON, BROS & Co.
Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

TO LET.
IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,
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FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of
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HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole
House or in Flats, with
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Also,
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venience. Fine spacious Verandah looking
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Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

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MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

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J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BOWEN, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for
China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$81,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the
above Company, are prepared to Accept
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon
terms very favourable to the insured.
For full information and particulars,
apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

INSURANCES.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....104,000
Total Capital and accumula-
tions this date.....Tls. 754,000

Directors:
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. P. EVANS, Esq., O. LUCAS, Esq.,
C. KREBS, Esq., Wm. MEYER, Esq.

Secretaries:
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.

London Bankers:
Messrs. Baring Brothers & Co.

Agencies in:
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the World, at current
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12 1/2 per cent for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contributors
of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, May 10, 1878. col

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).
NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20 per cent on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.
(FIRE AND LIFE).
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China, and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20 per cent allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Batavia, and Peking.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

For full information and particulars,
apply to

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, September 1, 1871.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.
Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From the Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From the Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Country.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Bombay	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong			
Danube	Brit.	str.	664	Sept. 1	Tuen Fat Hong		Bangkok	27th inst.
Diomed	Brit.	str.	1240	Sept. 26	Butterfield & Swire		Shanghai	
Douglas	Brit.	str.	864	Sept. 24	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		Coast Ports	
Fame	Brit.	str.	117	Sept. 10	H.K. & W'poo Dook Co.			Tug Flying in port.
Gaelic	Brit.	str.	1712	Sept. 10	O. & O. S. S. Co.		Phanna & S. Fedco	
Kienchow	Brit.	str.			Kwok Acheong			
Lorne	Brit.	str.	1036	Sept. 2	Hop Kee		Sapote and Penang	28th inst.
Malacca	Brit.	str.	1044	Sept. 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.		Yokohama	28th inst.
Mayenne	Brit.	str.		June 20				
Namoa	Brit.	str.	862	Sept. 21	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		Coast Ports	at daylight
Nerna	Brit.	str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong			
Olympia	Ger.	str.	783	Sept. 22	Kwok Acheong		Swatow	To-morrow
Perin	Brit.	str.	1016	Sept. 6	Holliday, Wise & Co.		Swatow	To-day
Perambuco	Brit.	str.	643	Sept. 22	Melchers & Co.		Salgon	28th inst.
Quinta	Ger.	str.	874	Sept. 17	Soey Fhing		Manila	27th inst.
Salvadora	Span.	str.	615	Sept. 22	Remedios & Co.			
Sea Gull	Amer.	str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray			
Sindh	Fch.	str.	2170	Sept. 24	Messageries Maritimes		Marseilles, do.	28th inst.
Volga	Fch.	str.	1000	Sept. 25	Messageries Maritimes		Yokohama	28th inst.
Sailing Vessels								
Ada Melmore	Brit.	bge.	568	Sept. 13	Meyer & Co.			Wanchai Pk.
Albert Russell	Amer.	bge.	762	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		New York	
Alcanta	Brit.	bge.	898	Sept. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		Cebu	
Aldebaran	Brit.	bge.	398	Aug. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		New York	
Annie Burr	Amer. 3m. sh.	bge.	650	Sept. 24	Gibb, Livingston & Co.			
Banias	Brit.	sh.	769	Sept. 15	Melchers & Co.		New York	
Benefactor	Amer.	bge.	596	Sept. 2	Russell & Co.		New York	
Borneo	Amer.	sh.	738	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.		Caliao	Coast Dec.
Brema	Ger.	bge.	380	Sept. 8	Wieler & Co.		Manila	
Brenette	Brit.	bge.	874	Sept. 12	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		Melbourne	
Canton	Slam.	sh.	779	Sept. 18	Ohinese			
Challenge	Brit.	bge.	589	Sept. 16	Douglas Lapraik & Co.			
Chamron Kamreay	Slam.	bge.	480	Sept. 24	Kin-ye-joong			
Charles-Moreau	Fch.	bge.	388	Sept. 11	Landstein & Co.			
Charlotte Andrews	Brit.	bge.	383	Sept. 19	Rosario & Co.		Malbourne & Sydney	
Civiale	Ger.	bge.	379	Sept. 11	Siemssen & Co.		Newchwang	
Cosran	Amer. sh.	bge.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray			
Cosmo	Brit.	sh.	1220	Sept. 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.			
Dartmouth	Brit.	bge.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.			
Dharwar	Brit.	sh.	880	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		Hamburg	
Dirigo	Amer.	bge.	884	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.			
Don Quixote	Amer.	sh.	1128	Sept. 24	Messageries Maritimes			
Emilio V.	Ital.	bge.	724	Sept. 8	D. Musco & Co.			
Euphrates	Fch.	bge.	272	Sept. 10	Carlowitz & Co.			
Fabius	Slam.	sh.	680	Sept. 24	Ohinese			
Formosa	Ger. 3m. sh.	bge.	282	Sept. 1	Melchers & Co.		Bangkok	Cleared
Fortune	Slam.	bge.	480	Sept. 16	Tack Mee			
Fusilier	Brit.	bge.	404	Sept. 24	O. & O. S. S. Co.			
George Sholfeld	Amer.	sh.	1818	Sept. 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.			
Glanis	Brit.	bge.	1160	Sept. 17	Russell & Co.			
Goliath	Slam.	bge.	642	July 11	Ohinese			
Hamburg	Ger.	bge.	847	Sept. 18	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.			
Hera	Brit.	sh.	1400	Sept. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Hermann	Ger.	sh.	210	Sept. 24	Wieler & Co.			
Highlander	Amer.	sh.	1382	June 10	Captain			
Hoteper	Brit.	bge.	522	Sept. 8	Rosario & Co.			
Imperatrice Elisabeth	Aust.	sh.	1628	Sept. 20	D. Musco & Co.			
India	Amer.	sh.	1294	Sept. 24	Order			
Iphigeneia	Ger.	bge.	464	Sept. 9	Wieler & Co.			
Japan	Ger. 3m. sh.	bge.	270	Sept. 10	Meyer & Co.		Hamburg	
John Potts	Brit.	bge.	878	Sept. 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		Newchwang	
Jules Dufaur	Fch.	bge.	430	Sept. 18	Captain			
Juliane	Ger. 3m. sh.	bge.	187	Sept. 23	Wm. Fustan & Co.			
Kate Waters	Brit.	bge.	580	Sept. 22	Remedios & Co.			
Kim Yong Yee	Slam.	bge.	329	Sept. 18	Tack Mee			
Korsor	Dan.	bge.	827	Sept. 9	Meyer & Co.			
Landscap	Brit.	sh.	886	Sept. 19	Siemssen & Co.			
Lizzie Perry	Brit.	bge.	1122	Aug. 28	Russell & Co.			
Lottie Moore	Amer.	bge.	480	Sept. 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		New York	Wanchai Pk.
Louis Eugene	Fch.	bge.	438	Sept. 15	Carlowitz & Co.			
Mary Fraser	Brit.	sh.	1174	Aug. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		New York	
Melrose	Amer.	sh.	984	Sept. 19	Naval Storekeeper			
Minna	Ger.	bge.	457	Sept. 8	Meyer & Co.			
Min-y-don	Brit.	sh.	1108	Sept. 8	Olyphant & Co.		Newchwang	
Moneta	Brit.	bge.	621	Aug. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.			
Nicolaus	Ger.	sch.	157	Sept. 11	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.			
Norseman	Slam.	sh.	777	Sept. 16	Ohinese			
Northern Star	Brit.	bge.	827	Sept. 11	Ohinese			
Nuevo Constante	Span.	sch.	216	Sept. 21	Remedios & Co.		Manila	
Pallas	Ger.	bge.	421	Sept. 22	Siemssen & Co.			
Pandur	Ger.	bge.	586	Sept. 18	Meyer & Co.		London	
Peri	Ger.	bg.	276	Sept. 11	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.		Newchwang	Cleared
Phillip Fitzpatrick	Amer.	bge.	582	Sept. 5	Douglas Lapraik & Co.			Sand's Slip
Presto	Ladman	Brit.	384	Sept. 5	Meyer & Co.			
Registro	Garcia y Agde	Span.	214	Sept. 17	Remedios & Co.			
R. Hay	Nicolaus	Brit.	280	Sept. 11	Turner & Co.			
Sarah Bell	Ditchburn	Brit.	912	July 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		San Francisco	
St. Charles Napier	French	sh.	1231	Aug. 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		London	
Southern Cross	English	sh.	1129	Sept. 29	Russell & Co.		Manila	
Spartan	Amer.	sch.	100	Sept. 23	W. H. Ray			
Srathearn	Anderson	Brit.	1101	Sept. 9	Messageries Maritimes		Portland (Oregon)	
Sully	Bars	Fch.	387	Sept. 15	Carlowitz & Co.			
Sumatra	Clough	Amer.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.			
Sumner R. Mead	Dixon	Amer.	1117	July 15	Russell & Co.		New York	
Trio	Bakker	Dutch	268	Sept. 10	Siemssen & Co.			
Troybridge	Stapledon	Brit.	1287	Aug. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		Java	
Tryburnia	Golder	Brit.	948	June 18	Olyphant & Co.			
Varuna	Sachau	Ger.	486	Aug. 22	Wieler & Co.			
Venus	Reidre	Port.	402	Aug. 7	Remedios & Co.			
Villa de Rivadavia	Camus	Span.	281	Sept. 24	Brandao & Co.			
W. E. Gladstone	Gallchan	Brit.	584	Sept. 16	Captain			
WHAMPOA								
Emulation	Gunn	Brit.	bge.	380	Sept. 19	Wieler & Co.		
Flensburg	Jacobson	Dan.	bge.	365	Sept. 12	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.		
Marie Louise	Gulbux	Fch.	bge.	425	Sept. 24	Carlowitz & Co.		
CANTON								
Yangtze	Schmitz	Brit.	str.	762	Sept. 24	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	